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NASSAU COUNTY LEGISLATURE

NORMA GONSALVES,
Presiding Officer

PUBLIC WORKS AND PARKS COMMITTEE

VINCENT MUSCARELLA, Chairman

1550 Franklin Avenue
Mineola, New York

Monday, June 29, 2015
4:21 P.M

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LIST OF SPEAKERS

JOHN BUTLER,
Department of Public Works.....5

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2 CHAIRMAN MUSCARELLA: Public
3 Works and Parks Committee is hereby called
4 to order. I will call the roll. I am here.
5 Vice Chairman Steve Rhoads?

6 LEGISLATOR RHOADS: Here.

7 CHAIRMAN MUSCARELLA: Francis
8 Becker?

9 LEGISLATOR BECKER: Present.

10 CHAIRMAN MUSCARELLA: Donald
11 MacKenzie?

12 LEGISLATOR MACKENZIE: Here.

13 CHAIRMAN MUSCARELLA: Ranking
14 Member Carrie Solages?

15 LEGISLATOR SOLAGES: Here.

16 CHAIRMAN MUSCARELLA: Judith
17 Jacobs?

18 LEGISLATOR JACOBS: Here.

19 CHAIRMAN MUSCARELLA: Laura
20 Curran?

21 LEGISLATOR CURRAN: Here.

22 CHAIRMAN MUSCARELLA: We have a
23 quorum and it's the original members today
24 which is a bit unusual. We have two items;
25 Item 246 of 2015, an ordinance supplemental

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2 to the annual appropriations ordinance in
3 connection with the Department of Public
4 Works. Motion, please.

5 LEGISLATOR BECKER: So moved.

6 LEGISLATOR MACKENZIE: Second.

7 CHAIRMAN MUSCARELLA: Motion by
8 Mr. Becker, seconded by Mr. MacKenzie. That
9 item is before us. Who do we have with us?

10 MR. BUTLER: Good afternoon.
11 John Butler, Department of Public Works.

12 CHAIRMAN MUSCARELLA: Welcome.
13 Just briefly explain this for us, please.

14 MR. BUTLER: This is an
15 appropriation of federal funds for federally
16 mandated planning activities. Nassau has
17 been awarded approximately \$300,000 for the
18 year 2015-2016. They are key planning
19 activities that include things like the
20 development of the TIP, which is the
21 Transportation Improvement Plan, as well as
22 an RTP update, which is the Regional
23 Transportation Plan. We been awarded
24 similar planning funds going back to 1982.

25 CHAIRMAN MUSCARELLA: Any

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2 questions?

3 (No verbal response.)

4 Any public comment?

5 (No verbal response.)

6 Hearing none, all those in favor
7 signify by saying aye.

8 (Aye.)

9 Any opposed?

10 (No verbal response.)

11 That item carries. Our last item
12 today is Item 254 of 2015, an ordinance
13 supplemental to the annual appropriations
14 ordinance in connection with the Department
15 of Public Works. Motion, please.

16 LEGISLATOR RHOADS: So moved.

17 LEGISLATOR BECKER: Second.

18 CHAIRMAN MUSCARELLA: Motion by
19 Mr. Rhoads, seconded by Mr. Becker. The
20 item is before us. Mr. Butler.

21 MR. BUTLER: This is an
22 appropriation of federal and state grant
23 awards totaling approximately \$21.1 million.
24 These are for capital purchases related to
25 the NICE Bus operations. 90 percent of all

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2 capital expenditures related to the bus are
3 federally and state reimbursed. That's what
4 these grants are for.

5 CHAIRMAN MUSCARELLA: This is
6 similar to past grants?

7 MR. BUTLER: Similar to past, and
8 we are awarded in similar fashion every year
9 based on projected expenditures of what's
10 needed for the bus operation such as number
11 of buses that are coming out of commission
12 and ones that we are bringing on board.

13 CHAIRMAN MUSCARELLA: So it's
14 capital expenditures?

15 MR. BUTLER: Exactly.

16 CHAIRMAN MUSCARELLA: Any
17 questions from the committee?

18 (No verbal response.)

19 Any public comment?

20 (No verbal response.)

21 Hearing none, all those in favor
22 signify by saying aye.

23 (Aye.)

24 Any opposed?

25 (No verbal response.)

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2 The item carries.

3 LEGISLATOR BECKER: I have one
4 question. Are you sure you work for the
5 DPW?

6 MR. BUTLER: I do.

7 LEGISLATOR BECKER: Are you the
8 only one that wears a tie and jacket over
9 there? Thank God. You look smart. Maybe
10 everyone else will follow.

11 Move that we adjourn.

12 CHAIRMAN MUSCARELLA: So moved by
13 Legislator Becker.

14 LEGISLATOR MACKENZIE: Second.

15 CHAIRMAN MUSCARELLA: Seconded by
16 Mr. MacKenzie. All those in favor of
17 adjourning?

18 (Aye.)

19 We are adjourned. Next up is
20 Minority Affairs.

21 (Whereupon, the Public Works and
22 Parks Committee adjourned at 4:24 p.m.)

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C E R T I F I C A T E

I, FRANK GRAY, a Shorthand Reporter and
Notary Public in and for the State of New
York, do hereby stated:

THAT I attended at the time and place
above mentioned and took stenographic record
of the proceedings in the above-entitled
matter;

THAT the foregoing transcript is a true
and accurate transcript of the same and the
whole thereof, according to the best of my
ability and belief.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set
my hand this 13th day of July, 2015.

FRANK GRAY